

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2005-351-C - ORDER NO. 2006-514  
AUGUST 31, 2006

IN RE: Application of AmeriVon, LLC for a	)	ORDER GRANTING
Certificate of Public Convenience and	)	ADDITIONAL
Necessity to Provide Resold Interexchange	)	EXTENSION TO FILE
Telecommunications Services and for	)	SURETY BOND
Approval of its Initial Tariff.	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of AmeriVon, LLC (AmeriVon or the Company) to extend the date for filing the Company's surety bond with the Commission. On October 28, 2005, AmeriVon filed an Application with the Commission seeking authority to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina. The Commission approved AmeriVon's Application to provide telecommunications services in South Carolina and accordingly on March 13, 2006, issued Order No. 2006-162, "Order Granting Certificate and Requiring Bond."

In Order No. 2006-162, the Commission states, "We conclude that the Company should post a \$5,000 bond for the protection of the public, prior to offering the services proposed." The Commission sets forth, "...the nature of the service proposed by AmeriVon is such that, for the most part, a customer must pay for services before the services are rendered, much like the case of the pre-paid debit cards authorized in Order

No. 93-600.”<sup>1</sup> In Order No. 2006-162, the Commission requires as a condition to the granting of a Certificate to AmeriVon that AmeriVon “...post a bond with the Commission by delivering to the Commission either Certificates of Deposit or a surety bond in the amount of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars...”

Through prior orders, the Commission has granted several extensions to AmeriVon to file the Company’s surety bond. The most recent extension granted to AmeriVon extended the filing date for the Company’s bond to August 10, 2006.<sup>2</sup>

Through letter filed by AmeriVon’s regulatory counsel on August 10, 2006, AmeriVon seeks approval of an additional 30-day extension of time to file the Company’s surety bond. According to AmeriVon, the Company was hoping to close on additional funding from its investors by the end of June. AmeriVon states that the Company did successfully secure additional funding, however, the Company’s receipt of working capital was delayed beyond expectations and did not become available and booked until recently. AmeriVon asserts that the Company is presently working with its insurance broker to secure the necessary surety bond. Nevertheless, AmeriVon states that the Company does not believe that it will be able to acquire the surety bond prior to the expiration of the Company’s last extension. AmeriVon adds that the Company will not offer services in South Carolina prior to the company’s surety bond being submitted to

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<sup>1</sup> This Commission has historically required a \$5,000 bond for non-facilities based companies offering pre-paid telephone debit cards for sale. See Order No. 93-600, in Docket No. 93-114-C, dated July 6, 1993, Application of World Telecom Group, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate as a Reseller of Intrastate Telecommunications Services Within the State of South Carolina.

<sup>2</sup> See Commission Order No. 2006-413, dated July 17, 2006.

the Commission. The Office of Regulatory Staff advises in a letter filed on August 17, 2006, that the Office of Regulatory Staff has no objection to the requested extension.


We have examined this matter, and have concluded that AmeriVon's request for an additional extension of time should be granted as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

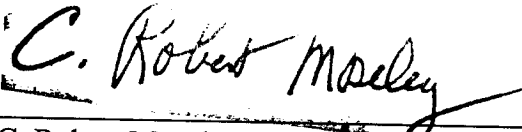
1. That the request of AmeriVon, LLC for an additional 30-day extension of time, from August 10, 2006, to September 11, 2006, to file with the Commission the Company's surety bond as required by Order No. 2006-162 is hereby granted.

2. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of this Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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